

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Atty. Docket No.: 03-597-A)**

First Named Inventor: Rock )  
Application No. 10/772,757 )  
Filing Date: February 5, 2004 )  
Title: Anesthetic Agent Recovery )  
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Examiner: M.J. Early  
Group Art Unit: 3744  
Confirmation No.: 5681

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**PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner:

The applicant respectfully petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2006, in which the applicant was given three months to respond. With this extension, the applicant's response is due on or before November 23, 2006. That day being a Federal Holiday, the response is timely if filed on the following business day, or Friday, November 24, 2006. The response accompanies this petition. The Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account 13-2490 for any fees necessitated by this petition.

Respectfully,

/Mark L. Chael/

Date: November 24, 2006

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